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Taxi Licensing Board

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Taxi Licensing Board Agenda Conference Room 12, City Hall Thursday, April 14, 2016 8:46 AM

Present: Jeff Munger (Chair), JM

Adam Roof (City Council), AR Officer Brad Trombley, BPD, BT

Gregg Meyer (Assistant City Attorney), GM

Ashley Bryce (Taxi Administration Office, City Hall), AB

Isaac Trombley (Taxi Administration Office, BTV), IT (via Phone)

Nicholas Sheildrop (Public), NS

1. AGENDA

On motion by Commissioners Roof and Munger the agenda was adopted as is.

2. PUBLIC FORUM

NS stated:

- Requested for the definition between a sole proprietorship and corporation as Green Cab trade name with the State of Vermont is Green Cab, LLC all drivers are independent drivers and should not be driving. Requested on application to the City to read Green Cab, LLC.
- One state license for taxi should be ready for the next fiscal year. The state will require 2 licenses.
- There is a House bill in process to pass that buses and taxis require seatbelts to be worn.

DISCUSSION:

3.01. Miscellaneous Update

GM gave few updates for the fee schedule, stated it is in the Mayor's Office and hopefully be approved for City Council soon. Requested that after 6 month term fees can be revised if needed. Full range of fees will be between charging 10 cents a ride to 1 dollar a ride. With a base fee of \$125 for the year.

GM believed that all the paperwork and changes in the law that he will push for July 1st for new ordinance start date. As training and recruiting of new board members and officer this was reasonable request.

New ordinance stated vehicles need to be 10 years or newer, board believed drivers should be given more notice to have this changed. Maybe wait until November before it will be required or July 1, 2017. (IT stated there are 1/3 of vehicles that do not meet criteria but are in good shape)

JM received message from Bill Kehoe explaining Isaac Trombley and Sheila Edwards made a statement to him that it is difficult to determine between who is an individual driver or Uber and that Uber would like more "dock" space. IT explained he does not know what to do and how to help the smaller businesses. They are having a significant loss of income but this is how the industry is progressing.

AB stated that some cab companies would like to sell advertisement space on taxi cabs. JM requested this to be on next month's agenda. Believed that there is no law in the new ordinance.

4. MINUTES:

- 4.01. Taxi Licensing Board Approved and Revised 01/14/16
- 4.02. Taxi Licensing Board 03/10/16

On Motion by Commissioners Roof and Munger the minutes were adopted as is.

5. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Commissioners Roof and Munger the Taxi Licensing Board Meeting was adjourned at 9:15 a.m.



Taxi Licensing Appeals Panel

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Amended Taxi Licensing Appeals Panel Agenda Conference Room 12, City Hall Thursday, April 14, 2016 Time: 8:35 a.m.

Present: Jeff Munger (Chair), JM

Adam Roof (City Council), AR Officer Brad Trombley, BPD, BT

Gregg Meyer (Assistant City Attorney), GM

Ashley Bryce (Taxi Administration Office, City Hall), AB

Nicholas Sheildrop (Public), NS

John Shoram, JS

1. AGENDA.

On motion by Commissioners Roof and Munger the agenda was adopted as is.

2. TAXI DRIVER APPEAL HEARINGS:

2.01. John Shoram

Blazer Transportation

GM explained the procedure to be followed and introduced the Taxi Appeal Panel and swore John Shoram in for testimony.

JS stated:

• Domestic assault occurred 7 years ago with a spouse

BT -

- Still with Wife?
- Still on probation?

JM -

- Part time job?
- Work with customers or outback with Delta?
- How long working for Delta?

AR –

- Driven cab before?
- How to deal with anger issues?

JS Stated:

- No longer with spouse
- Works 4, 10 hour days with Delta at the Airport, and wanted to drive taxi the other 3 days
- Will be employed with Delta for 1 year in May
- Works the counter and ramp
- Worked for North Country Specialty Foods for 6 years
- Drove cab in 90's for Winooski Cab
- Will remove himself from the situation and will call dispatcher
- Probation ended, maxed out in 2010

On Motion by Commissioner Roof and Munger to table the discussion for Taxi Licensing Appeal Panel to begin Taxi Licensing Board Meeting at 8:46 a.m.

On Motion by Commissioner Roof and Munger to reconvene Taxi Licensing Appeal Panel at 9:15 a.m.

2.02. Jacob Martin Blazer Transportation
Did not show

On Motion by Commissioners Roof and Munger to deny license as this is second time did not show and did not contact Ashley.

2.03. Dan Baltatu Blazer Transportation
Did not show

On Motion by Commissioners Roof and Munger to post-pone hearing.

3. MINUTES:

3.01. Taxi Licensing Appeals Panel Approved and Revised 01/14/2016

3.02. Taxi Licensing Appeals Panel 3/10/16

On a motion by Commissioners Roof and Munger the minutes were adopted as is.

On a motion by Commissioners Roof and Munger to begin executive session. On a motion by Commissioners Roof and Munger to exit executive session.

On a motion by Commissioners Roof and Munger to approve John Shoram Taxi License.

4. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Commissioners Roof and Munger was adjourned at 9:29 a.m.